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EMT-P INTER-FACILITY TRANSPORT GUIDELINES

PURPOSE

To identify guidelines for EMT-Ps during inter-facility transports.

AUTHORITY

Title 22, Division 2.5, Sections 1797.214, 1798.170, and 1798.172 of the California Health and Safety Code.

POLICY

During an inter-facility transport, a certified EMT-P or supervised EMT-P intern may:

- 1. Monitor peripheral lines delivering fluids in any combination/concentration of normal saline, lactated ringers, isolyte or isolyte M or dextrose and water provided the following conditions are met:
 - a. A written order by the transferring physician is provided to the transporting ALS ambulance.
 - b. No medications will be added to the intravenous fluids by the EMT-P during transport except under the direction of the Base Hospital or under radio communication failure.
- 2. Transport intravenous solutions with added medication (s) as follows:
 - a. Lidocaine
 - b. Dopamine
 - c. Procainamide
 - d. Magnesium Sulfate
- 3. Monitor and administer medications through a pre-existing vascular access.
- 4. Monitor heparin lock or saline lock.
- 5. Monitor IV solutions containing potassium <40mEq/L.
- 6. Monitor thoracostomy tubes to water sealed drainage, or clamped thoracostomy tubes.
- 7. Monitor nasogastric tubes.